

Miss Wall





THE STORY OF THE PAST

The first church built in Cypress River District was a Union Church, and was erected by the united action of the people of many denominations. This was a log building and was built in 1886. A few years later this church was burnt by a prairie fire and before another church had been erected the Canadian Pacific Railway was built through the district and the village of Cypress established. The various religious denominations then came in and commenced years of denominational development with all the customary competition and rivalry.

In 1911 the Methodist and Presbyterian Congregations formed a Union Church the first in the Province of Manitoba, looking forward to the Dominion Wide Organic Union. The Methodist minister, then on the Circuit, REV WM WYMAN, was retained as the Union Minister. His successor was REV T A MUNROE B A a Congregationalist who served from 1916 to 1919 and during these years MR MUNROE was also the President of the Western Council of Union Churches. In 1919 REV F W. WESTWOOD, a Methodist minister, was called and during his term as Pastor, the new church was built.

The present Pastor is REV. HISLOP DICKSON M. A. B D a Presbyterian, who was called in July of this year from the United Church at Alexander, Manitoba.

THE NEW UNION CHURCH.

With the earnest purpose of providing the best possible facilities and equipment for modern church activities, the Cypress River Union Congregation erected this fine new church building for the Glory of God and the furtherance of the work of the Kingdom of God.

The building is built with three shades of brick nicely blended and is compactly arranged throughout. The foundation is built of Concrete, reinforced with steel, the very finest foundation possible. The auditorium which seats about 325 is furnished with circular pews of the best quality. A back gallery seats about 100 and a room under the gallery, which opens on the auditorium, another 75. Under the spacious choir loft is a vestry and choirroom.

The basement is arranged for the best in modern Sunday School methods. There are five small class rooms along one side, a large primary room at one end and a kitchen at the other end. Two furnaces will be used for heating purposes and a Delco Lighting Plant will provide splendid electric light.

Nothing has been overlooked in the planning of the building and the very best material available has been used throughout in the building and the furnishings. The total cost of the building is about \$35,000. The response to the appeal of the Building Committee for funds has

been so generous, that with the building practically completed, it has been unnecessary to place any mortgage against the property.

The community is justified in the pride manifested in this fine new church and a renewed loyalty to Christian work will be the natural outcome of this magnificent undertaking.



THE PRESENT PASTOR

The present Pastor, Rev Hislop Dickson was born on a farm near the village of Atwood Ontario, in which village his parents Mr. and Mrs Thomas Dickson still reside

His education was obtained at the University of Toronto, and Knox College, Toronto with Post Graduate studies at Glasgow, Scotland, and the degree of Bachelor of Divinity obtained by extra mural studies from Manitoba College, Winnipeg

On coming to Cypress River in July of this year, Mr. Dickson had completed ten years as ordained minister, during which time he held pastorates at Rainy River, Ontario; Grandview, Man., and Alexander, Manitoba.

OPENING SERVICES
CYPRESS RIVER UNION CHURCH

SUNDAY SEPT. 18. 1921

DEDICATION SERVICE AT 11 A. M.

The Pastor will preside and conduct the Dedication Ceremony Rev. C. B. Lawson of Glenboro Union Church and Rev. Robert Harvey, Holland, will assist Rev J. A. Doyle, B. A. of Winnipeg, Superintendent of Missions in the Methodist Church, will preach.

Anthems, Te Deum Laudamus

Praise the Lord, Simper

O How Amiable are thy Dwellings. Barnby

Solo Mrs R. T. Knight

EVENING SERVICE AT 7 O'CLOCK

The Pastor will be assisted by Rev S. P. Riddell, Holland. Rev. J. A. Doyle will preach

Anthems, Gloria in Excelsis, Mozart

The Radiant Morn. Woodward

Hark, Hark my Soul. Shelly

Duet, "Hold Thou My Hand"

Misses Minerva and Melissa Lee

Solo, "The Holy City" Mrs W. B. Brant

BANQUET AND CONCERT

MONDAY SEPT 19

The Banquet will be served in the Basement of the New Church and also in the former Union Church from 5 to 8 P. M. A special table for Old Timers at five o'clock in New Church. During the supper hours the Cypress River Orchestra and Bru' Orchestra will provide suitable music.

8 P M. New Church Auditorum Program.

Rev. Hislop Dickson presiding.

Addresses by;

Rev. T. A. Munroe, B. A. Morris, a former Pastor and President of Western Council of Union Churches. Rev. C. B. Lawson, B. A. Glenboro Union Church, Rev. Jos. Milner, Church of England Rector. Rev. G. E. McCullah, Roland Man, President of Man. Methodist Conference. Rev. S. P. Riddell, Holland Methodist Minister Rev. C. Finnemore, Graysville. Man. Moderator of Glenboro Presbytery. Rev. J. C. Stewart B. A. Treherne, Man. and others.

Anthems, Gloria in Excelsis Mozart
 March of the Men of Harlech
 Moonlight on the Lake
 Goodnight, Gentlefolks

Mixed Quartette. "Come where Lilies Bloom"
Ladies Quartette "The Bendemeer Stream."
Solos, Mrs Malcolm, and Mrs W. O. L. Davidson



Rev. Hislop Dickson, M. A. B. D.

The Pastor.

INTERESTING ITEMS.

The Pews of the Auditorum have been provided by the Ladies Auxiliary.

The Sunday School and Young Peoples Society have provided the chairs for the Basement

The Choir has carpeted the Pulpit platform and around the platform

The Matting in the Aisles and Table in the Vestry is a gift of Cypress Valley Sunday School.

The Sign Board is the gift and work of our local artiste, Mr. Colan Kievell.

The Names of the Building Committee, to whom great credit and thanks is due, are Mr. John A. Young, Chairman, Mr. W. B. Gillam, Sec., J. Y. Campbell, D. B. Campbell, Albert Diehl, Wm. Lee, Mrs. Thos. Cole, Mrs. W. B. Gillam.

The choir of the Union Church are the possessors of the Lieut.-Governor's Shield, won at the Winnipeg Musical Festival in both 1920 and 1921, in competition against any rural choir in Manitoba. At present the choir has a membership of 30. The choir music for the Opening Services is under the direction of the Pastor.

The present Membership of the Union Church is 197.

Mr. Bridgman, of Winnipeg, was the Architect of the new church edifice.

OFFICIALS

CYPRESS RIVER UNION CHURCH

Pastor. Rev. Hislop Dickson, M. A., B. D.

Chairman of Official Board. Mr Chas Diehl

Secretary of Official Board. Mr. A Sutherland

Treasurer, Mr. D Burgess

Chairman of Building Com. Mr J A Young

Sec of Building Committee. Mr. W B Gillam

Treas. of Building Fund, Mr W.B.Brant

Superintendent of Sunday School. Mr A Diehl

Sec and Organist of S. S. Miss Edna Venner

President of Y.P.S.C E. Mr Elgin Cole

President of Ladies Auxiliary, Mrs. Thos. Cole

Church Organist. Miss Isabelle Garvie





